

OBITUARIES

DR. GEORGES-ETIENNE BEAUREGARD, 80, a medical practitioner in the east end of Montreal, Que., for 53 years, died on September 16. Dr. Beauregard was born at Iberville, Que., and graduated from Laval University, Montreal, in 1904. He was consultant physician for the Hospice Gamelin for 22 years, and was attached to the Hôtel-Dieu.

He is survived by his widow and a son.

DR. JAMES EDWARD BENJAMIN EAGER, assistant medical superintendent at the Hamilton General Hospital since 1947, died on September 22. Dr. Eager was born in Waterdown, Ont., and graduated from the University of Toronto in 1935. He interned at the General Hospital and was plant physician at the Steel Company of Canada before joining the McGregor Clinic. He later worked with the Department of Health.

DR. EDWARD WALTON HUXTABLE, 77, died in Hôtel Dieu Hospital, Kingston, Ont., in September after a long illness. Dr. Huxtable was born in Sunderland, Ont., and graduated from the University of Toronto in 1910. After practising in Newington and Newburgh he went to Odessa.

Dr. Huxtable is survived by his widow, one daughter, and one son.

DR. DONALD MCGILLIVRAY, 89, a former member of the medical staff of the University of Toronto, died on September 24, at his home in Toronto. He was born in Pickering, Ont., and graduated from the University of Toronto in 1897, and from Trinity University in 1899, after being a druggist in Uxbridge. Dr. McGillivray did postgraduate work in England and became a member of the Royal College of Surgeons and a licentiate of the Royal College of Physicians. He served overseas during World War I. In 1917 he was appointed consultant to the Dominion Medical Examining Board.

Dr. McGillivray is survived by his widow.

DR. LIONEL A. MACKLIN, head of the paediatrics department of the Stratford (Ont.) General Hospital, died in hospital on September 5. He was born at Mildmay, Ont., and graduated from the University of Toronto in 1927. After postgraduate work in Toronto, Cleveland and New York, he practised in Stratford for more than 25 years. Dr. Macklin was a former president of the Perth Medical Association. In 1950, he was named a coroner for Perth County.

He is survived by his widow and three sons.

DR. PAUL-VINCENT MARCEAU, 66, coroner for Quebec since 1936, died on September 5. Dr. Marceau was born in Notre-Dame de Lévis and graduated from Laval University in 1917. He had been head physician at St-François d'Assise hospital, and was one of the founders of the *Enfant-Jésus* hospital. He was decorated by King George V for his medical services.

Dr. Marceau is survived by his widow, ten sons and four daughters.

DR. JOHN RICHARD MENCKE, 83, who practised in Fort Erie, Ont., for 56 years, died on September 26. Dr. Mencke was born in Toronto and graduated from the University of Toronto. He later did postgraduate work in England.

He is survived by his widow and a son.

DR. LOFTUS E. MORGAN, 91, died in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, where he had first set up practice in 1890. He was born in Kerwood, Ont., and graduated from the University of Toronto. He interned and took postgraduate work in New York.

Dr. Morgan is survived by his widow, a son and four daughters.

DR. AUSTIN LAVERNE SPEERS, 61, a former medical health officer at Ancaster, Ont., and coroner for Wentworth County, died in hospital on September 10. Dr. Speers was born in Merton, Ont., and graduated from the University of Toronto in 1916. He practised for four years in Mount Hope before moving to Ancaster, where he served until his retirement in 1948, due to ill-health.

Dr. Speers is survived by his widow and one daughter.

DR. WILLIAM THOMAS WILLIAMS, 84, a former chief of the department of social diseases at the Toronto General Hospital, died on September 22. Dr. Williams was born in Fingal, Ont., and graduated from Trinity College, Toronto, in 1901. He did postgraduate work at Edinburgh and Glasgow. For three years Dr. Williams was chief surgeon for the British administration in the British West Indies. He came to Toronto in 1908.

Dr. Williams is survived by his widow and a daughter.

SIR WILLIAM GILLIATT

Sir William Gilliatt, the surgeon-gynaecologist to Her Majesty the Queen, died in a traffic accident near London, England, on September 27, aged 72 years. It will be recalled that Sir William acted as obstetrician at the birth of Prince Charles at Buckingham Palace in 1948 and again at the birth of Princess Anne in 1950, having previously attended the Duchess of Kent in all her three confinements. Apart from his services to the Royal Family, Sir William played a great part in the founding of the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, of which he was a foundation fellow, and later President in 1946. He was for a long time on the staff of King's College Hospital, London, England, and served on many national committees.

PROVINCIAL NEWS

BRITISH COLUMBIA

The first week of October was a busy one in medical circles in British Columbia. Victoria was host to the medical profession of the province, and the Annual Meetings of the College of Physicians and Surgeons and the Canadian Medical Association, B.C. Division, were held during the first week of the month.

The first day was taken up by the Assembly, which is the official parliament of the B.C. medical profession. The evening of this day was given up to the College of Physicians and Surgeons. Life memberships were conferred and the burning of the mortgage on the Academy of Medicine was a feature of the meeting.

The guest speaker at the meeting was Dr. Stanley Gilder, the Editor of the *Canadian Medical Association Journal*, who delivered an address.

Dr. Harry Milburn of Vancouver officiated at the burning of the mortgage. He was asked to do this as a tribute to the great work he did in promoting the building of the Academy some years ago. We owe much to the energy and devotion of Dr. Milburn, who worked for this plan in season and out of season.

An eminent and welcome visitor to B.C. during September was Sir Geoffrey Keynes of London, England, who is chairman of the Board of Governors of St. Bartholomew's Hospital. Sir Geoffrey, accompanied by Lady Keynes, is touring Canada and is speaking in various centres, chiefly on the history of his great hospital. He has also given clinical lectures, especially on the thyroid gland, its diseases and surgery.

The report of the Biopsy and Cytological Diagnostic Service of the Provincial Department of Health, published in the July number of the *Bulletin* of the Vancouver Medical Association, is of great interest and reflects a very substantial growth in both the quantity and quality of the work done by this very active department.

This Service has been in operation for the past five years, since 1951, in which year specimens were submitted from 11,169 patients. In 1955, specimens were received from 20,625 patients. This is an increase of 85% in five years, and does not include specimens from the Vancouver General Hospital. The Cytology Laboratory shows an even greater rate of increase, from 273 per month in 1951 to 1,308 per month in 1955. It is also of great interest that in 1951 outside physicians submitted 44% of the specimens received, while in 1955 the figure had risen to 75%. This shows the value of the service rendered to physicians in private practice.

The cost of these two services is shared equally by the Federal and Provincial Governments. For five years this cost has been in all \$232,890—in our opinion, a very trifling outlay for a tremendous return.

A very successful meeting of the Western Institute on Epilepsy was held in Vancouver on September 7-8. The meetings were held in the Christmas Seal Auditorium and on the U.B.C. campus. This meeting was sponsored by the University of British Columbia, and was under the presidency of Dr. Margaret A. Kennard, formerly a member of the medical faculty at U.B.C., and now associated with the Western State Hospital in the State of Washington.

Many prominent workers in this field took part in the program. Among these were many from Oregon, from the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, from Utah, Baltimore, Washington and elsewhere in the U.S.A., and on the list of speakers was a panel of members from the Departments of Paediatrics and Neurology of U.B.C.

These meetings were greatly assisted financially by contributions from Merck and Co., the Winthrop-Stearns Company, Grass Instrument Company, and Ayerst, McKenna and Harrison Limited.

The Greater Vancouver Health League held a luncheon at the Georgia Hotel on September 28, to celebrate the 25th year of its existence as an agency of the Community Chest of Vancouver. The League was founded in 1931 as the result of the joint work of the Vancouver Medical Association, the Parent-Teachers' Association and the Board of Trade of Vancouver.

The League acts as a centre for all planning with regard to the promotion of health in Vancouver. It has in constant service committees which study the advancement of health, mental, physical and social. It has initiated and assisted in putting into operation many health activities. The B.C. Cancer Fund, the B.C. Division of the Canadian Arthritis and Rheumatism Society, and other similar groups are among these. The chlorination of water, the compulsory pasteurization of milk, are among its achievements. It has a Mental Health Division which is doing excellent work.

The guest speaker at the luncheon was Dr. Brock Chisholm, whose fame as a worker in all health matters is known throughout Canada, and indeed far beyond Canada's borders. His address dealt with the necessity of regarding health from a world point of view, and from every angle, rather than from a local or even national standpoint. A jammed auditorium heard him, and many were unable to get in. J. H. MACDERMOT

ALBERTA

Dr. W. H. Lakey of the University of Alberta Hospital has been awarded the Royal College of Surgeons Medal for 1956, the second time in three years that this medal has come to the University of Alberta. Awarded for the most outstanding surgical research carried out in Canada, the medal is being presented to Dr. Lakey for his work on hormonal influence in gastric secretion. Dr. Lakey's work was carried out under a fellowship from the Edmonton Civic Employees' Welfare Fund, which

donates \$5,000 yearly to be used by the McEachern Cancer Research Laboratory at the University.

In line with the marked advances that have occurred in cardiovascular surgery in the province is the organization of the Alberta Heart Foundation, a lay organization designed to promote research in heart disease and its care. The organization will become affiliated with the Canadian Heart Foundation.

Because of a shortage of interns in Edmonton's civic hospital, the Royal Alexandra, the general practitioners on the staff have volunteered their services in this capacity. As a result each of the 24 staff members spends a 24-hour shift in the hospital each 24th day. The procedure has overcome the shortage and also supplied qualified instructional service to the intern staff.

The fifty-first Annual Convention of the Alberta Division of the C.M.A. was held in the Palliser Hotel, Calgary, on September 24 to 27 inclusive. Attendance figures set a new high for a Calgary meeting with a registration of 324 doctors, just under one-third of those registered in the province.

Guest speakers were Dr. Edouard Gagnon, Assistant Professor of Surgery, University of Montreal; Dr. Ian Macdonald, Toronto; Sir Geoffrey Keynes, 1956 Sims Travelling Professor, London, England, and E. W. Paul Luxford, D.D.S., Calgary.

An innovation that proved very popular was the delivery of papers to the general assembly one morning, followed by luncheons in three different rooms at each of which one of the morning's speakers was present to answer questions.

The business sessions were well attended. The reports of the Committee on Anaesthetic and Operative Deaths, Perinatal Mortality Committee and the Committee on Maternal Welfare are considered to be of sufficient significance that they will be reported elsewhere in the Journal.

The appointment of a full-time co-ordinator of post-graduate activities in the province was considered, but the matter is to be studied further.

The Committee on Insurance reported on the experience to date with both the disability indemnity and the life groups; the situation is considered quite satisfactory. A group plan for annuities and pensions is under examination and a preliminary report was made, but there is much to be done before any concrete proposals can be made.

Medical economics produced considerable discussion, particularly with reference to any plans the government might have to provide medical services. Resolutions were passed to the effect that the medical profession in Alberta is only too willing to help in the provision of medical services to those who cannot afford them, but is strongly opposed to any compulsion. A further resolution deprecated the fact that in some cases physicians' services are regarded as hospital services and provided as such.

Dr. E. F. Donald, President of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, appeared on television to explain the attitude of the Alberta profession toward any government scheme for the provision of medical care.

W. B. PARSONS

MANITOBA

An institute for school physicians was held at the Children's Hospital, Winnipeg, on September 12, under the chairmanship of Dr. Harry Medovy, Consultant in Child Care Services. The program was as follows: "The physician and parent counselling"—Dr. Wallace Grant; "Recognition of innocent cardiac murmurs"—Dr. E. G. Brownell; "The physician and the child with hearing loss"—Dr. I. H. Beckman. This is planned as an annual institute for all physicians in the school medical service.

Some three hundred members of the Association des Médecins de Langue Française en route to their annual meeting in Jasper stopped off in Winnipeg on September 11. They were entertained at St. Boniface Hospital.

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St. Boniface Sanatorium celebrated the 25th anniversary of its opening with three days of festive events. At a dinner on August 21 a presentation was made to Dr. A. C. Sinclair, who has been associated with the sanatorium from its beginning and for most of the period has been medical director.

The first monthly meeting of the Winnipeg Medical Society for the 1956-57 session was held in the new auditorium of the Medical College on September 21. Dr. Earl Stephenson was in the chair. There were two communications: "Stone in poliomyelitis" by Drs. A. J. W. Alcock, J. A. Hildes and J. R. Taylor, dealing with the treatment of urinary calculi in poliomyelitis patients; and "Atomic medicine" by Dr. R. J. Walton, with particular reference to treatment of cancer of the bladder by radioactive isotopes of sodium, bromine, phosphorus and gold.

ROSS MITCHELL

ONTARIO

Dr. Harold V. Cranfield has been appointed medical staff member of the Ontario Society for Crippled Children. In 1947 he was the first graduate to qualify by examination in physical medicine with the Royal College in Canada. During the past nine years he has served as consultant in physical medicine at Sunnybrook Hospital, and as medical director of the Inter-Fraternity Adult Cerebral Palsy Workshop and the St. Paul's Cerebral Centre, Toronto. He has also been honorary consultant in physical medicine at the Oakville-Trafalgar Memorial Hospital. He is consultant in rehabilitation to the Department of Welfare of the Province of Ontario. Dr. Cranfield has recently returned from Chicago where he studied under Dr. Meyer Perlstein, taking a course in cerebral palsy and allied neuromuscular disease.

A paper on "The pathologic effects of large amounts of glucagon" by J. M. Salter, Ph.D., I. W. F. Davidson, B.Sc., and Charles H. Best, M.D., D.Sc., was given at the clinical meeting of the New York Diabetes Association at the symposium day on insulin, glucagon and the oral hypoglycaemic sulfonylureas, held on October 12 in New York City.

The Ontario Association for Retarded Children now has 39 active branches. There is an acute shortage of accommodation in Ontario Hospital schools for retarded children. The Association has published a helpful and informative booklet about available institutional care for these children. Many practical points are covered in the booklet.

Dr. John Coles, Department of Surgery, University of Western Ontario, addressed the Essex County Medical Society on the present status of cardiac and vascular surgery.

Dr. N. A. McCormick, Windsor, acted as chairman of one session of the International Congress of Radiology held in Mexico City.

Essex County Medical Society budgets \$550 a year for its library, which is situated in Riverview Hospital. A member of the staff of the Windsor Libraries has been working during the evening, assisted by a clerk, getting the books in order but, as is usual in hospital and medical libraries, a number of issues of journals are missing, having been misappropriated, mislaid or just borrowed for a long term by the doctors.

Ontario has launched a campaign to rid the province's cows of brucellosis. Vaccination against the disease will be paid for by the province in 245 townships which have been designated as supervised areas. The townships which have passed by-laws under the Brucellosis Control Act of 1953 are in the counties of Brant, Bruce, Dundas, Durham, Grey, Haldimand, Halton, Oxford, Peel, Prince Edward and York. Last year 244,924 calves were vaccinated.

The new Anson General Hospital, a memorial to the late F. H. Anson, founder of Abitibi, has been opened at Iroquois Falls.

Dr. W. L. Percival is director of the Windsor Cleft Palate Clinic. Children are evaluated at the clinic; reports and suggestions for treatment are forwarded to the family physician who refers the patient. A speech therapist is on the staff.

LILLIAN A. CHASE

CANADIAN ARMED SERVICES

The present composition of the Canadian Forces Medical Council is as follows: *Chairman:* Dr. J. A. MacFarlane, Dean of Medicine, University of Toronto. *Members:* Brigadier K. A. Hunter, Coordinator of Medical Services, Department of National Defence; Dr. G. E. Hall, President and Vice-Chancellor, University of Western Ontario; Dr. R. Lemieux, President, Canadian Medical Association; Dr. J. W. Macleod, Dean of Medicine, University of Saskatchewan; Surgeon Commodore E. H. Lee, Medical Director General, Royal Canadian Navy; Brigadier S. G. U. Shier, Director General Medical Services, Canadian Army; Air Commodore A. A. G. Corbet, Director General Medical Services, Royal Canadian Air Force.

On September 10, the Honorable Dr. Frank S. Berry, Assistant Secretary of Defence (Health and Medical), U.S. Department of Defence, visited Ottawa and met with the Executive of the Canadian Forces Medical Council for discussion of mutual problems in relation to the Armed Forces Medical Services of the United States and Canada. On this occasion Dr. Berry was guest at a luncheon attended by General Charles Foulkes, Chairman, Chiefs of Staff; Mr. F. R. Miller, Deputy Minister, Department of National Defence; Vice Admiral H. G. DeWolf, Chief of the Naval Staff; Lt.-General H. D. Graham, Chief of the General Staff, and Air Marshal C. R. Slemmon, Chief of the Air Staff, and the members of the Executive, C.F.M.C.

Surgeon Commander G. W. Chapman, R.C.N., Deputy Medical Director General, R.C.N., was promoted to Acting Surgeon Captain on July 1.

Surgeon Lieutenant Commander R. F. Plumer, R.C.N., who has been taking postgraduate training in dermatology at the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, has been appointed Staff Medical Officer on the staff of the Flag Officer Naval Divisions, Hamilton, Ont., from November 1.

Surgeon Lieutenant Commander L. M. Brown, R.C.N., who has been serving on the staff of R.C.N. Hospital, Halifax, N.S., was selected for postgraduate training in anaesthesia at the Montreal College of Anaesthesia commencing in October.

Recent changes in the Medical Directorate at Army Headquarters include the appointment of Lt.-Colonel J. H. Watson as AMD 2. Lt.-Colonel Watson was previously Officer Commanding, 2 Field Ambulance, stationed at Valcartier, Que. He has been replaced by Lt.-Colonel P. Bazinet, who has finished a year's postgraduate training in medicine at Montreal Military Hospital. Lt.-Colonel J. P. McCabe, who recently vacated the appointment of AMD 2, is attending a course in Hospital Administration at the University of Toronto. Lt.-Colonel B. L. P. Brosseau has returned from overseas, where he filled the appointment of Canadian Liaison Officer at Canadian Army Liaison Establishment, London, for the past year. He also is attending the course in Hospital Administration at the University of Toronto. Major W. Fowler, previously Hygiene Officer, Central Command, has been posted to Army Headquarters and has been temporarily assigned duties in matters dealing with hygiene and preventive medicine (AMD 5).